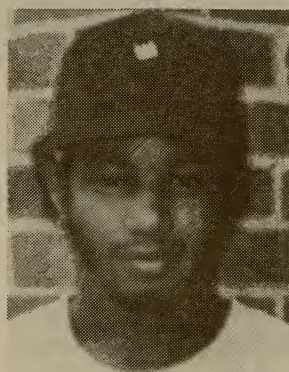


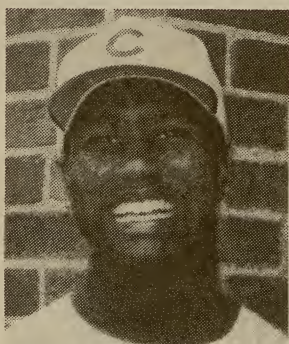
CAMPUS FOCUS

by Jennifer Garrett

What do you think about the Temporary Building?



"I think it's too far to walk and the building is plain for what we paid for."
Santiago Johnson, freshman



"I'm not getting my money's worth out of a building of that condition. I want to see some bricks. Also, this does not let me get to class on time."
Jeremy Abraham, freshman



"I think it's definitely necessary to have improvements on campus. A small temporary set-back like temporary class rooms is definitely needed to solidify on-going renovations."

Daryl Anderson

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Fiesta, ballet bring Hispanic culture to Tyler

Jaymie Poeschl
Staff Writer

Mariachis and munchies opened the Mexican Independence Day Celebration Friday at Windsor Plaza. The Hispanic American Association co-sponsored the event which included a ceremony and a performance by the Mexican Folkloric Ballet Ollimpaxqui.

The internationally acclaimed Ballet Folkloric Ollimpaxqui performed in Wise Auditorium as "Semblanzas de Mexico." This year the Ballet brought to Tyler two exceptional flamenco guitar-

ists who have lived in Spain for many years, Dr. Enrique Ramirez, history and geography director, said. The group has just completed a European tour.

"The performers are very professional, performing in London recently," he said. "This is really for the students so they can interact better with the Hispanic community."

The crowd ate at a free Mexican food buffet provided by El Charro Restaurant

"This was not in the Tyler paper because it is mainly for the

students to encourage them to come," Ramirez said.

Mayor Smith Reynolds sent a proclamation read by Smith County Commissioner Gus Ramirez declaring Sept. 11-25 Hispanic American Week. Others who participated were U.S. Congressman Ralph Hall, state representatives Bob Glaze and Ted Kamel and Smith County Judge Larry Craig who read a proclamation to the Hispanic community at the Ballet.

The celebration for national Mexican independence day is

based on an event that occurred on Sept. 16, 1810, in the small town of Dolores, Mexico, Ramirez said. Father Miguel Hidalgo y Costilla of Dolores plotted to seize the colonial government and proclaim Mexico's independence from Spain.

The uprising had been planned for October, 1810, but the plot was discovered, so on Sept. 15 Hidalgo assembled his parishioners and followers and began to seize neighboring towns. Marching from place to place under the continued on page 2

ARC honors TJC Walk

Kristie Carter
Staff Writer

TJC recently received the National Association of Retarded Citizens's Distinguished Community Service Award. The award honors the 3-year-old Walk a Mile for a Special Child program.

Campus Volunteer Coordinator Rebecca Foster began the Walk a Mile project in 1991. From approximately 600 participants who raised \$2,200 that year the event has grown to some 2,000 walkers raising \$8,000 last spring.

Foster believes the Walk makes people aware that TJC students are community-minded.

Head Football Coach Delton Wright and the football team have been a great factor in the Walk's success, Foster said.

They have participated every year and helped out by carrying the children who could not walk. Wright was honorary chairman last year, Foster said.

The money raised sends 50 children to Camp Heyday for one week. The camp costs approximately \$389 per child.

Next year's Walk will be the first Saturday in March, which is Mental Retardation Month, at Bergfeld Park on Broadway at Fourth Street. Registration for the 9 a.m. walk will begin at 8 a.m. Prizes, trophies and certificates will be awarded.

"We are very excited because Best Buddies International will be helping out this year," Foster said.



courtesy photo

FOLKLORIC DANCERS- Dancers from the Ballet Folkloric Ollimpaxqui performs for the Mexican Independence Day Celebration on campus.

Legal limit change to 0.07 may cost young drivers

Jennifer Garrett
Staff Writer

Young Texans, under 21, will be strongly penalized for drinking and driving starting this month. Those arrested for driving while intoxicated may have their driver's licenses suspended for up to a year if they refuse to take a breath alcohol test, or if they register an alcohol concentration of 0.07 or greater.

The 0.07 level was chosen, rather than the 0.10 legal limit, because young Texans under 21 are more liable to be dangerous on

the road at lower levels of intoxication, according to an Aug. 31 news story in the Tyler-Courier Times.

The main purpose of this law is to deter drunk driving and to save lives, Campus Safety Director Gene Carney said.

"People under the age of 25 are more prone to have accidents," Carney said.

"There is no certain age limit on what people can hold while drinking liquor," Freshman Steven Sutton argued. "Anybody can have an accident."

"Just by making the alcohol level a few points lower doesn't change much," Sutton said.

"This law is just like a curfew," he said. "People are going to do what they want to do anyway."

Carney believes young people drink illegally because of peer pressure.

"You are at that awkward age," Carney said. "You are too young for this but too old for that, you are restricted, you are tempted just like Eve and the apple and you

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Students, faculty enjoy Larry King live

By Holly Ellis
Staff Writer

TJC students and faculty were in the audience when talk show host Larry King opened the University of Texas at Tyler Distinguished Speaker Series earlier this month.

King's talk was a loosely organized recollection of how it felt to speak to groups ranging from Rotary Clubs to the Mafia.

History instructor Jo Ann Tunnell-Atkins expected a political speech or a discussion of personalities King had interviewed on his CNN show. She said she enjoyed the fun topics he covered but was disappointed that it was entertainment only.

Part-time government instructor Jonelle Pollard took her entire class to King's performance. She enjoyed the humorous aspects, but was disappointed in the lack of

time for questions from the audience. Pollard is a dedicated Larry King Show watcher, she said.

Vicki Burnell, a student in Pollard's class, was pleased with King's discussion.

"What impressed me the most was his lack of preparation. He indicated that he never prepares a topic or a speech before a lecture. Larry's ability to possess an audience for an entire hour without committing intellectual homicide is nothing short of brilliant," Burnell said.

Mary Duplechin, another Pollard student, said, "Larry King left me with the impression that he uses humor to answer political questions and to entertain the audience at the same time. He seemed to be concerned about the issues of the American people and our government."

Student Lynda Clark said,

"Mr. King's first few remarks seemed to remove all doubts of those in the audience. Sitting back into our chairs, it was like listening to a distant friend tell the stories of his life."

In the question session someone asked if King thinks the United States should enforce an immigration policy. King responded that if not for immigrants, many of those present in the room would not have been there.

TJC journalism graduate Sarah McClendon, the first woman journalist to cover the White House, asked King if he thinks Ross Perot is good for our country at this time.

King said he likes Perot and thinks he is "a strong force to be reckoned with."

King has written five books and writes a column in USA Today.

Kiev children's art shows talent, creativity

By Kristie Carter
Staff Writer

Vaughn Library and Learning Resources Center is displaying 38 paintings and drawings created by children ages 7-15 from Kiev, the capital of Ukraine, Student Publications Director Linda Zeigler said.

The art work is sponsored by the Student Enrichment Series and the Tyler League of Women Voters.

The League of Women Voters took art work from the United States to exchange with Kiev and brought this exhibit to the United States in 1989. It has traveled to a different city each month since then.

One picture of a man on the moon, done by 7-year-old Erik Yankulin, shows a lot of detail.

Laura Cheveko drew a beautiful pencil portrait of a girl in her community.

The portrait itself shows the innocence of a child who does not have any problems. The image conveys a sense of virginity, a young woman who has not been touched by anyone.

A watercolor painting done by Oksana Vasil'jev was of the St. Andrews Cathedral in Kiev. The beautiful painting shows talent at the age of 15.

All 38 pieces are interesting to look at. It is hard to believe that some were actually done by children.

The paintings will remain in the Library through Tuesday.

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Labor Day catches many napping

By Lisa Henderson
Staff Writer

During the first official holiday most students did the same thing—party and sleep.

Lyndy McLendon, a business administration major from Marshall, did nothing more than party and sleep.

Nursing major Shannon Quada, also of Marshall, managed to party, swim and sleep.

Business major Brian Walker said, "I got drunk. That's all."

Some students went out with friends and some went home.

Psychology major Kelly Geiger went home to Marshall and visited friends.

Nursing major Mandy Wright from Alba played volleyball for most of the day.

Psychology major Michelle Sanders from Van stayed at home all day and watched movies.

Unfortunately, some did not get to do a lot of partying. They actually had to work.

Brent Dinger of Dallas, a psychology major, worked at Pizza Hut for four hours Sept. 6.

Haimonot Bekele, originally from Africa, worked at a cafeteria for the entire day.

A few do not even remember what it was that they did on their holiday.

A language major in French and English, Evelyn Cordoba

Next important date: midterm

By Noelle Canion
Staff Writer

With Labor Day behind them, the next important date students face is not a holiday. Mid-term grades go in Oct. 25. That usually means the week before, Oct. 18-22, is filled with tests and projects. That week is now less than a month away.

The next holiday is Thanksgiving, which starts for students at 5 p.m. Nov. 24. Classes will start again at 7 a.m. Monday, Nov. 29. Campus offices will close at the end of the working day Nov. 24 and reopen at the regular time Nov. 29, Ellen Price, educational and student services secretary, said.

Christmas holidays for students and faculty begin at the end of finals Dec. 16. Classes will start again Jan. 18, 1994.

Campus offices will close for Christmas at the end of the working day Dec. 21 and reopen at the regular time Jan. 3, 1994.

Students who have weekend classes must talk to their instructors about make-up work missed during the holidays, Price said. Students in night classes will start their holidays at the same time as day students, which means night classes after 5 p.m. Nov. 24, will not meet.

Hispanic

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slogan, "Long live our Lady of Guadalupe! Perish the Spaniards!" Hidalgo's band freed prisoners and promised political reforms.

Hidalgo organized a rebel government, abolished slavery and restored land to the peasants, but he frightened many people who saw in the rebellion a racial war. In January, 1811, Spanish military forces defeated Hidalgo and executed him. But the independence movement continued until the Mexican revolutionaries achieved independence from Spain.

Young Drivers

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are tempted by peer pressure."

"I think it is a good law," he said.

Some states have passed stronger laws dealing with young DWI's, Carney said.

Those driving while intoxicated should remember they can

be stopped to take a breath alcohol test not only on state roads and highways but in other public places such as parking lots.

Abusable glue and aerosol paint are included in the definition of intoxication.

"People under 21 shouldn't drink," Sophomore Don Davis said. "It is bad for your health and I think the law is very fair."

CAMPUS BRIEFS

Rallies to start at Duck Pond

Pep rallies will be scheduled at 6:30 p.m. each Thursday at the Duck Pond, which is located between Wise Auditorium and Wise Cultural Arts Building.

The pep rallies got off to an enthusiastic start with last Thursday's "Meet The Apaches" rally. Sophomore class secretary Alycia Lender said that pep rally dates are: Sept. 23 and 30, Oct. 7, 14 and 28 and Nov. 4 and 11.

The Apache Band, the Apache Belles and the Cheerleaders will all be there to lead the rallies. All students are invited, Lender said.

Groups meet at Dance

The annual Howdy Dance on Aug. 31 at Rogers Student Center attracted 650 students.

"The Howdy Dance is a social gathering for the students to meet and make new friend. This is a Texas tradition and a Texas way to say hello," Student Senate President Marshall Hanna said.

Thirteen campus groups were represented at information tables

The groups represented were: Purple Sensation Incorporated, Student Talking about Reality, Rho Beta Chi, Minority Student Association, Las Mascaras, Sigma Delta Nu, Baptist Student Union, Kappa Delta Upsilon, Best Buddies, Tau Kappa, Zeta Phi Omega and Intramurals.

"Our group is one of the oldest Greek organizations on campus. We have more than fun. We become life-long friends," Tau Kappa sponsor Carol Steinberg said. That is one reason her group was present that evening, she said.

Minority Student Association was also well represented at this function. "Our organization is different because of the name itself. We promote unity among our race and self help," MSA Vice President Kevin Dunkin said.

Some students said the variety of music was all right but it really could have been better.

"The dance itself could have been better, but I met a lot of new faces of nice people," freshman Kenny Garrett said.

Council plans movies

The Intergreek Council has arranged for movies to be shown at 7 and 9 p.m. Mondays in Apache rooms 3 and 4. Movies scheduled are: Sept. 27 "Malcolm X," Oct. 1 "Untamed Heart," Oct. 11 "Point of No Return" and Oct. 18 "Alladin."

Admission costs \$1 for students or faculty with TJC ID cards.

Sign language classes open

Students can now take sign language courses 40 weeks a year in 10-week increments. The courses are divided into: Beginning 1, Intermediate which teaches beginning interpreter training and an intensive Interpreter Training course.

Two deaf and mute instructors and two hearing instructors teach the classes. Instructors are: D.J. Sorenson, Carol Washington, Frankie Widener and Sally Barnett.

The combination of deaf and hearing teachers assures word understanding and teaches the differences perceived in the language as well as sign concepts, Fred Peters of the TJC Information Office said.

Those interested in the courses can begin with any 10-week period. Fall sign language classes started last week and meet every Tuesday at the Regional Training and Development Complex at 1530 SSW Loop 323, Tyler. Night classes are offered from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. and day classes meet from 9 a.m. until noon.

Students can register at either the RTDC or the registrar's office at TJC. Each course costs \$35.

Volunteers staff booths

Volunteers at student information booths helped students faced with confusion in finding some of their classes in the new temporary building.

Booths were set up in three campus locations to help answer students' questions, Bateman Hall Director Mitch Rhodes said.

The Student Senate sponsored the booths so campus organizations could earn points for this fall. The student development department also sponsored the booths.

"The question most students asked was, 'Where is the temporary building and why is it so far?'" Rhodes said.

Center takes paper, glass

One of the best ways to help the planet is to recycle, Tyler Collection Center Manager Ricky Mosley said. When people think of recycling, they usually think of paper, but paper is just one of many items being recycled in Tyler. Besides newspaper and kraft paper bags, aluminum cans, white, green and brown glass, corrugated cardboard and white or clear No. 1 and No. 2 plastics can be recycled.

The Collection Center at 418 N. Bois d'Arc St. is open Wednesdays from 7:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m., Thursdays from 7:30 a.m. until 3 p.m. and first and third Saturdays each month from 8 a.m. until noon.

Commercial recycling hours are Monday from 8 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. and Tuesday and Friday from 8 a.m. until noon. Commercial hours are self-service. Mosley asks commercial recyclers call first at 531-1388. Mosley and other City of Tyler employees staff the Center.

McCoy performs recital

Voice instructor Dr. Molly McCoy performed in a voice recital at the Jean Browne Theatre Sept. 9. Lynda Stevens accompanied Dr. McCoy on the piano.

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Hotdoggers drive Wienermobile thousands of miles

by Troy Alexander
staff writer

Some students may have noticed a giant weenie on wheels parked across from campus on Fifth Street last week.

This vehicle is the Wienermobile, a promotional tool for Oscar Meyer that has been successfully bringing smiles to kids since 1936.

The Wienermobile's drivers, Hotdoggers Brian Spillane and Chris Steven, are college graduates who were hired to care for the 23-foot frank for a year, until June 1994.

Spillane, from Chicago, is a graduate from Carthage College in Kenosha, Wisconsin. He has a bachelor of arts degree in business administration with an emphasis on marketing.

Steven is from Austin and graduated from The University of Texas there. She has degrees in psychology and sociology and is a candidate for a masters in arts degree in organizational communications.

"We are the keepers of the Weenie," Steven said. Since having been recruited for the job, the 'doggers have been to Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Tennessee, Louisiana and Mississippi. In nearly 3 months they have put 12,000 miles on the odometer.

During their one year terms the 'Doggers will drive the weenie in parades and food shows, help raise money for Meals on Wheels, Big brothers/Big Sisters and the Special Olympics. They will go to the Indy 500, the World Series and the Super Bowl, among the 500 events on the Wienermobile schedule.

Both 'doggers, though constantly on the road and trying to keep a tight schedule, love their job and dread the day next June when it comes to an end.

"That will be a sad day, because I am having the time of my life," Spillane said.

Oscar Meyer has Wienermobiles, boasting names like Oscar, Yummy and Big Bun.

Each vehicle include such features as a gull-wing door, microwave oven, refrigerator, steamer which emits the odor of grilled hot dogs to entice customers, CB, telephone and a tape deck which plays 21 versions of Oscar Meyer's "Wiener Jingle."

Oscar Meyer interviews college degree holders annually to choose who will pilot the Wienermobiles, but anyone applying for the job had better have patience.

Only 12 are chosen after extensive interviews out of more than 750 applicants, for their outgoing personalities and com-

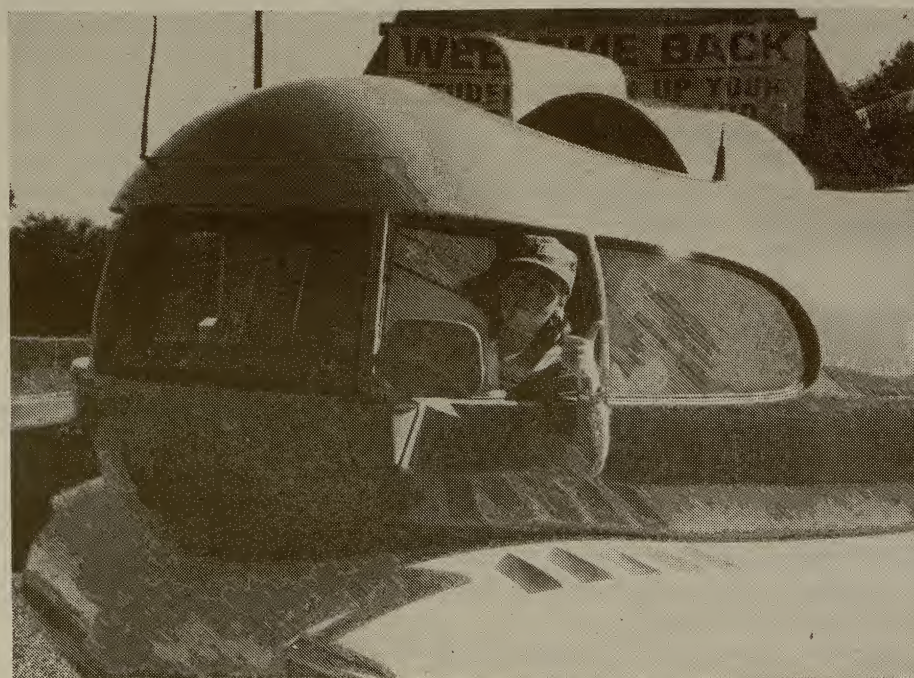


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HOTDOGGIN' IS THEIR JOB—Wienermobile driver Chris Steven and her partner Brian Spillane will drive this vehicle in parades and food shows all over the United States. In three months they have put 12,000 miles on the odometer

munication skills, to serve as drivers and spokespersons for the unique hot dogs on wheels.

Those interested may write for more

information to: Oscar Meyer Foods Corporation, P.O. Box 7188, Madison, Wis. 53707.

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Lousy eating habits lead to weight gain

Freshman 15, Sophomore Spread not rock groups

by Jaymie Poeschl
staff writer

"Freshman 15" and "Sophomore Spread" may sound like new rock groups but these terms refer to the 15 pounds students typically gain in college. The weight gain comes from lousy eating habits, according to a Scripps Howard News Service story in the Tyler Morning Telegraph.

Nutritionists and dieticians warn that eating poorly in college can lead to a life of health problems. Having a weight problem isn't the only sign of poor eating habits, Rebecca Bibby, home economics and child development director, said.

"Just because a person looks fit doesn't mean they are fit, because sooner or later it will catch up with them," Bibby said.

American Dietetic Association stats show need for concern. Up to 20 percent of college women suffer from the eating disorder bulimia. These folks binge and purge what they have eaten.

Almost half of all students miss breakfast at least five times a week. Two out of three students who come to the nation's public university health centers for nutrition counseling are moderately or very overweight, according to the Scripps Howard story.

Everyone has heard that breakfast is the most important meal of the day. Although studies

'Breakfast means just that, breaking the fast. If you skip breakfast, you've made your body go without fuel for a very long time,' Bibby said.

prove this over and over, it is also the most skipped meal of the day.

"Breakfast means just that, breaking the fast. If you skip breakfast, you've made your body go without fuel for a very long time," Bibby said.

Breakfast doesn't have to be traditional. Bibby suggests that even those who don't have time to sit down for breakfast can plan a lot of alternative meals.

"Fruit is fast and ready to go or a sandwich such as peanut butter and jelly will work," she said.

Students often question whether they should count calories or fat grams. Bibby says they should watch both carefully. If a food is high in calories, it is probably high in fat.

"Although some things may be high in calories and low fat, this is really empty calories," she said. "You can also get empty calories from alcohol."

Some students think they have an excuse to eat junk food because

they have to eat on campus. Brett Ladd, Marriott Food Service Director, disagrees.

He says if he puts out a hamburger and some healthy food side by side, students will most likely go for the hamburger.

"We offer a choice of foods plus we have a salad bar that always has at least one low cal dressing. But I hear very few students say 'where is the healthy food?'" Ladd said.

Marriott Food Service even offers a wellness center that can give nutritional information on any food offered by the food service.

The wellness center is located across from the salad bar. It began last February and has not been filled up once.

"You can tell how much it's used by all the dust on it," Ladd said.

Students can choose wisely. It's just the choices we make, Bibby said.

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Many organizations need volunteers to help with projects and upcoming events, Campus Volunteer Coordinator Rebecca Foster said.

Adult Learning Manager Nancy Loper at the Regional Training and Development Center needs assistants to help with adult learning classes. Volunteers are needed in all areas of adult learning and do not require training. Loper can be reached at 510-2938.

Volunteers are also needed for the Heart Hike, March of Dimes, Special Olympics, Department of Human Services, Best Buddies and the Family Violence and Sexual Assault Center.

Anyone interested in helping any of these organizations can find out more from Foster at 510-2278. Volunteering your time and efforts is a great way to help someone else and feel good about yourself, Foster said.

Student struck in parking lot, campus police urge caution

Sophomore Jennifer Brown reported an assault at 11:45 p.m. Sept. 1 after leaving her car parked behind Claridge Hall.

Reportedly, Brown turned around and saw an unknown man standing there, Campus Safety Officer Lynn Guthrie said.

The man hit her in the face and then ran, Guthrie said. Brown received a slight bruise on her jaw from this incident.

Campus officers advise everyone to be cautious in parking lots, especially at night.

"After dark, park in the more traveled areas," Guthrie said.

"If you go out at night, take a friend with you," he said.

Guthrie asks those who may have information on this case to call him at 510-2263.

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'Temp' instructors feel like 'traveling salesmen'

by Jaymie Poeschl
staff writer

The instructor hears a sound like someone is crying while she tries to talk to a classroom filled with students. After moments of trying to figure out who is crying, she realizes it is the air conditioner making funny noises.

This is only one experience teachers and students are sharing in the new temporary classroom building. Students can complain loudly, but instructors feel they must wear smiles and bear all the hardships, one of which is not having a convenient office.

English Instructor Judy Caswell says most instructors just laugh about the funny noises and "summer camp style bathrooms."

Students complain about how far they have to walk, but most faculty agree it is a good way to get exercise. Some two dozen instructors have been displaced by the renovation of Jenkins Hall. Their temporary offices are located on the third floor of Rogers Student Center, too far to go between classes in the temporary space.

Government Instructor Dr.

Manouchehr Khosrowshahi says he really has nothing to complain about. It's basically just an adjustment, he said, admitting he has an advantage over the walkers and drivers.

"I am faster on my bike than the walkers. It takes me three minutes to ride my bike to Potter Hall, because I don't stop to talk to anyone," he said.

Khosrowshahi says everyone's parking and walking problems would be solved if more people would ride their bikes. He also said that there are not enough bike racks to lock up bikes.

Most instructors do not have a bike so their cars have become their offices.

"It's like being a traveling salesman. You park close so your office is the trunk of your car. You walk back and forth between classes to get materials for your next class out of your car," Caswell said.

As conditions change, so do fashions. Caswell said the women teachers have "tended to do away with high fashion for the plainer Greta Garbo style." Because of the hard concrete floors, most prefer rubber soles to high heels.

COFFEE ANYONE—Below: History instructor Margie Noel knows how to keep her coffee hot. Right: Come rain or shine Economics Instructor Rhey Nolan has everything he needs in his traveling office.

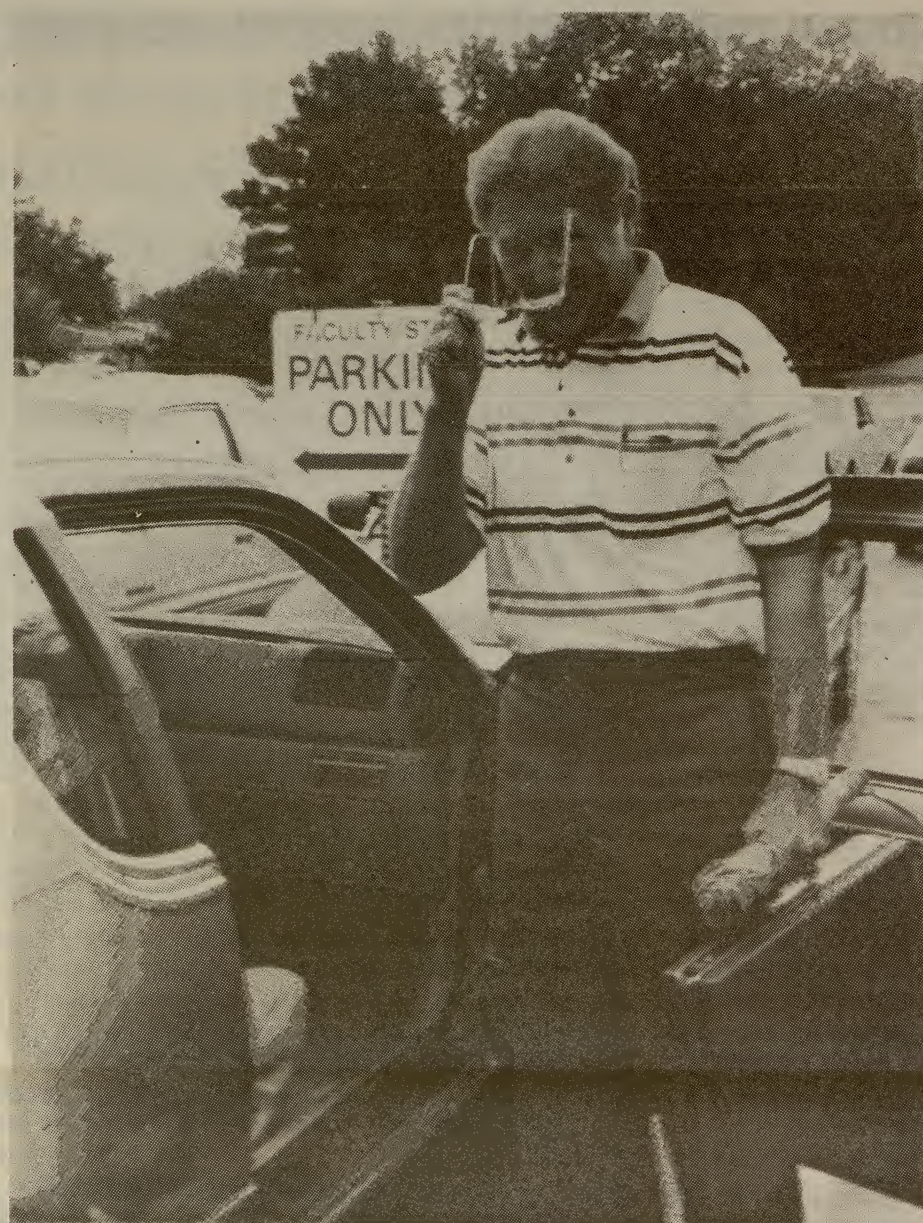


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Students like parking near temporary building

by Dennis Cliborn
staff writer

Slowly the student hovers around the parking lot trying to find a place to park. As he fights the traffic, he glances down at the schedule in the passenger seat. A feeling of uncertainty enters his mind as he realizes his class is in some place called "Temporary Building." The frustration mounts as he notices he is lost. Quick observation leads him to the Palmer Street parking lot parallel to the practice field. After a few seconds, he finally parks and walks into a large metal building, the temporary home of Jenkins Hall classes.

"This building's purpose is to house students until Jenkins Hall is remodeled," Physical Plant Director Bill Parker said. With 14,000 square feet, 19 classrooms and a faculty lounge, Parker believes the building is nice.

"Although there were difficulties with

the air conditioner in one classroom, the problem has now been taken care of," Parker said. "Many teachers like it."

"Students tend to enjoy the building because it is close to the parking lot," Parker said.

Getting the building finished was difficult. Two electrical panels did not arrive until Friday before classes started. Their late arrival presented another problem, with no electricity for air conditioning — nothing could be moved into the metal building. Finally, after diligent work by TJC maintenance crews the building was ready by late Sunday afternoon. Classes started at 7 a.m. Monday.

"After Jenkins Hall is completed in late January, 1994, the building will serve as the temporary home for Potter Hall classes as that building is remodeled," Parker said. When Potter is completed, then the temporary building will become the permanent maintenance office.



Photo by Jaymie Poeschl

Students meet real world: Too many cars, too few spaces

By Troy Alexander
Staff Writer

After a student finishes his last class of the day, having sat through hours of lecturing, test taking and teachers' bad anecdotes, the last thing he wants to see on his car is a yellow parking ticket flapping in the wind.

The truth is someone could walk through a crowded parking lot at any time of the day and probably see these disappointing decorations adorning a dozen windshields.

Campus Safety Director Gene Carney says the main parking regulation being violated is parking in non-designated areas.

"People simply need to learn to park between two white lines," Carney said.

Although campus officers wrote no "hard" tickets and mostly warning tickets the first week of school unless the violations were flagrant, the weeks that follow easily make up the difference.

Last March, a month in which students had only about 12 days of school due to Spring Break, campus officers wrote more than 817 tickets.

Carney says he sees a significant decrease in the number of tickets handed out as school progresses, especially after the first four weeks.

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dents are becoming familiar with the (designated parking) signs," Carney said.

Parking privileges may be taken away after four or more violations, and the car may be towed at the owner's expense, but usually campus officers will try to contact the offenders to forewarn them although they are not required to do so.

Carney also reminds that students are at school on a day they have no classes, they still should not park in visitors parking. Though they may be visiting, the sticker on the back car window will tell a policeman they are students.

Faculty and staff members receive parking tickets as easily as students.

But while student's tickets are handled at the Campus Safety Department and generally stop

there, faculty and staff tickets are viewed by a TJC vice president whose job includes dealing with offenders. He usually meets with the faculty and staff offenders personally.

Students who have received a ticket and believe they have a good argument about why they violated regulations or who do not believe they violated the rules may fill out an appeals form within 10 days after the offense.

Otherwise, tickets can be handled in the Financial Services Department. Class 1 tickets cost a \$7 fine, Class 2 \$10 fine and parking in handicapped zone is an automatic \$50.

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Parking leads best-worst list, 3 tickets in 1 day may set record

By Holly Ellis and
Lisa Henderson
Staff Writers

The first week of classes brought numerous obstacles for students. Parking was the worst.

Debbie Waits, 28, of Grand Saline, had trouble finding parking the first day, so she was 15 minutes late for her first class. "There were no handicap parking spaces available," Waits said, "Either people had parked there that had no handicap stickers or I just couldn't find any."

Dewaye Mecaskey of Decatur also had difficulty finding handicap parking. "More needs to be made available for us. I only know

of a few and they were all taken except for those in the faculty parking," he said.

Kelly Geiger, 18, a psychology major, discovered that those who move their cars for lunch can't expect to find that same parking space again. "In short, if you move it, you lose it!" Geiger said.

Psychology Major Megan Weger received three parking tickets in one day. She parked in three different spots and managed to get a ticket for every place she parked.

Brandon Deaton, an engineering major from Fort Worth, has received two parking tickets

and one speeding ticket. Deaton said the number of parties he has attended has made up for them!

Parking was not the only problem students faced. Some classes were abolished due to low enrollment and many new students found it hard to locate their classrooms.

Tess Hadden, 20, who plans to become a legal assistant, had two of her five classes abolished.

Stacy Jackson, 18, had trouble finding all her classes on the first day.

Kristal Smith, studying to be a social worker, said that the best thing that has happened to her was finding her temporary classes.

Law ensures students' right to religious days

By Ambre Howard
Staff Writer

Students who miss school for religious holidays are guaranteed the right to make up missed assignments due to the Religious Holy Days Bill, passed by the 1985 Texas Legislature. School schedules are arranged to provide time off for the major Christian events, Christmas and Easter, but not for those of other faiths.

Before this legislation, students could be penalized for missing class on religious holidays. This affected students from Jewish, Muslim and other faiths as well as members of the Worldwide Church of God.

"This law allows students of all faiths to observe their religious holy days without penalty. . . students do have an obligation to notify their instructor at the beginning of the semester as to their intended absences," Paul Hoffman, co-president of the Southwest Region of the American Jewish Congress, said. Students must notify their instructor no later than the fifteenth day of the semester when they will be absent.

Some noted holidays for Jewish students are the just ended High Holy Days of Rosh HaShana from sundown Sept. 15 through sundown Sept. 17, Yom Kippur from sundown tomorrow through sundown Saturday and Sukkot from sundown Sept. 29 through sundown Oct. 1. Shemini Atzeret and Simchat Torah are other holidays in this semester.

Holidays for Worldwide Church of God members which adjoin those of the Jews are the Feast of Trumpets Sept. 16, the Day of Atonement Saturday, the Feast of Tabernacles from Sept. 30 through Oct. 6, and The Last Great Day.

Although in the Tyler area "very few teachers gave any problems, I am glad that this law was passed because it is balanced and it is in no way contradictory to the Constitution and is in agreement with the basic beliefs of our country," Garner Ted Armstrong of the Church of God International said.

"When problems do arise, parents find ways to compromise or reschedule the event. They handle each problem from year to year," Rabbi Steve Gold of the Congregation Beth El said.

It would be better if it (religious observances) didn't have to be regulated, Gold also said.

"Principals and guidance counselors are very cooperative but are also very ignorant of this bill as well," Rabbi Larry Finkelstein of Ahavath Achim Synagogue said.

As we get further away from the Tyler school district we see that the knowledge of this bill becomes even smaller, Finkelstein said.

While Jenkins Hall is being remodeled classes in English, history, government, and foreign language have moved to temporary classrooms near the football practice field.

Kevin Henry, 22, of Los Angeles, found the walk between other buildings and the temporary a hassle. "I wish I was on a plane," he said. "By the end of the semester, I would have racked up a lot of frequent flyer miles."

Yet, some are just glad to be back on campus.

Criminal justice major Nik Hornyak said the best thing that has happened is meeting a girlfriend here.

Shannan Rayl, 19, of Terrell, and her friend, Mistie Johnson of Chapel Hill, are glad to be back with their friends at college.

"Some of my high school friends are here now," Mistie said. "It has been a lot of fun."

Claridge Hall Coordinator Carol Steinberg said that she has enjoyed meeting all the new students in her dorm. Their energy has reminded her why she is here.

Elementary education major Laura Davis has enjoyed the new faces in the halls. She reported one scary incident when three men approached her and wanted to know if she were a "law breaker."

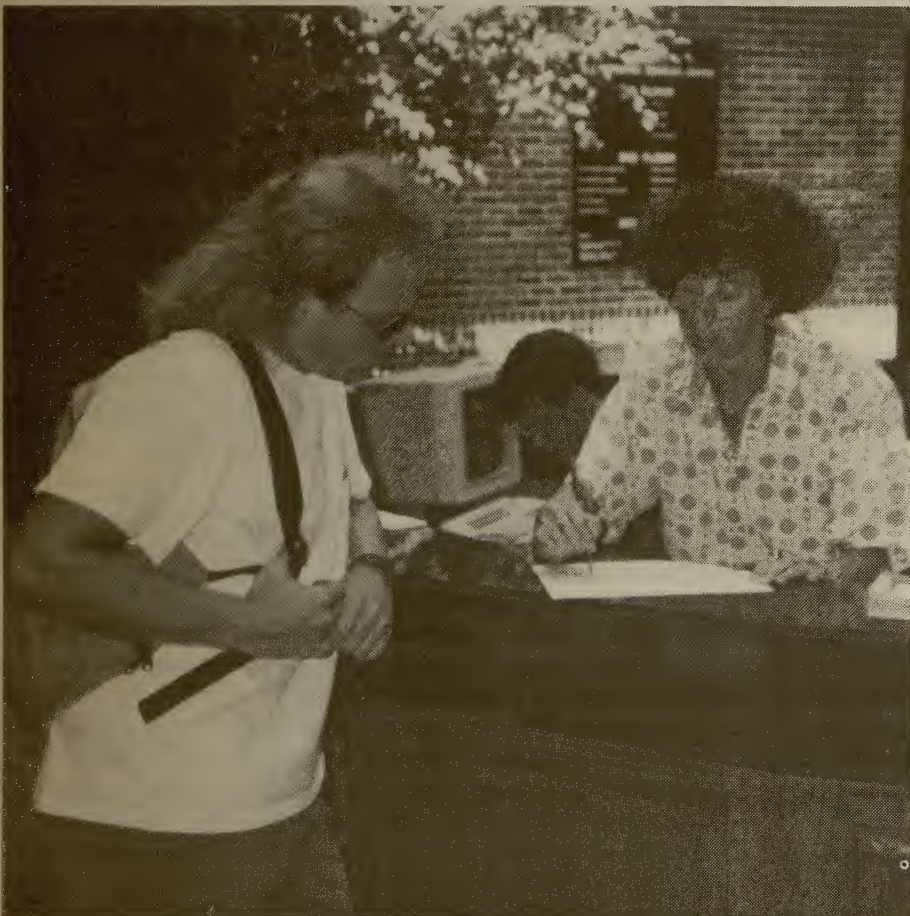


Photo by Rachel Washburn

MAY I HELP YOU?—Freshman April Haggerton points the location of a building on a campus map for Sophomore Doug Jones. Also working at the information in White Center is Freshman Chesley Palmore.

\$6 million White Center draws student comments

The White Administrative Service Center, dedicated May 15 in honor of major donors Jack and Dorothy Fay White, contains all college administrative offices.

The three-story building plus basement structure covers 61,000 square feet and cost approximately \$6 million.

"I think the new building gives TJC a more pleasant and ample-like atmosphere, but the need for another student parking lot would be more in tune to the needs of the students," Sophomore Paula Rowe said.

The brick and cast stone exterior harmonizes with other campus buildings. An arched brick walkway surrounds the first floor and the main entrance is through a two-story cast stone archway. The Service Center is designed to be not only professional but convenient.

"Compared to the two other schools I have attended, this one is very organized and convenient," Sophomore Nicki Sterling said.

"At first it was hard to find where I needed to be, but everyone was helpful, and now I know my way around," Freshman Tracie Oxman said.

The first floor is divided into three areas. West of the entrance contains the

offices of admissions, financial aid and scholarships and registrar.

East of the lobby is the Trustees Board Room. It contains 65 tiered theater seats, a board table and complete live telecommunications and projection equipment.

North of the lobby are campus computer services.

"I think the new administration building was a waste of money because working people cannot afford to pay for extra privileges for faculty. A new parking lot would of been a better investment for the students," Sophomore Stacy Shirley said.

The second floor contains the offices of instructional administration, program development, financial services, personnel services and development and college relations along with conference rooms and other support areas.

The third floor houses the College executive officers. Here are offices of TJC President Dr. Raymond M. Hawkins and three vice presidents: Raymond Van Cleef, Ken Dance and C.C. Baker Jr. It also includes a central reception area and a conference room with seating for 10-12 people.

The parking area around the building has been landscaped and lighted.

New band director 'loves' job, plans no major changes

William K. Goodson is the interim Apache Band Director, replacing Gary Jordan, who resigned in July to become Lufkin High School band director.

Goodson said he loves the job here and the students are "wonderful." Of his first college students he said "the level of maturity and playing abilities are higher than high school students." Goodson, who has also taught military styled marching for 18 years and corps style for seven years, said he is enjoying a return to military style.

Goodson expects to make no major changes in the Band, but will adhere to the military style they are used to and "have had great success with."

Among plans for the Band are two parades: the annual Oct. 16 Rose Parade and the Nov. 11 Veteran's Day Parade. The Jazz Band will play for the Sept. 20 TJC Foundation Golf Tournament.

Goodson's job is temporary, but in May when the job will be open again, he said, "I am looking forward to the opportunity to reapply."

Goodson has directed bands for Paul Pewitt, Daingerfield-Lone Star and Greenville independent school districts.

Goodson earned a master of arts degree from Stephen F. Austin State University in 1975 and a bachelor of music education degree from Bethany (Okla.) Nazarene College in 1955.

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Carney: Walk in crosswalks, park in student lots

Students should use the crosswalks for safety and to help the flow of campus traffic, Campus Safety Director Gene Carney said.

Another big problem for students is parking on campus, Carney said.

Students should park in designated parking spaces only, according to campus regulations. Otherwise they may be ticketed by campus officers.

Please do not jaywalk, Carney said. Officers can write

tickets for jaywalking and will do so at their own discretion. Officers and cadets will monitor crosswalks.

All vehicles must stop when approaching a crosswalk occupied by pedestrians.

Crosswalks are located on Baxter Street between Vaughn Hall and Community Bible Church, on Lake Street between the Student Center and Lewis Hall, on Apache Pass Street in front of HPE Center and on Palmer Street

between HPE Center and Palmer student parking lot.

Students need to avoid no parking areas marked by yellow tape, he said.

"Students may park in any lot after 5 p.m.," Carney said.

5 carjackers hit freshman

Freshman Kinsley Robinson was the victim of a carjacking in southwest Tyler Sept. 7.

With the help of a witness who had a cellular phone, Tyler police were able to arrest all five suspects.

Suspects arrested include: one 16-year-old juvenile, Demetric Woods from Chandler, Roderick McGee from Athens, Christopher Dennis from Athens and Kelven Hill from Athens. None are TJC students.

Suspects were charged under federal and state statutes, Tom Giorgio, Tyler Police Department public information officer, said.

The suspects overpowered Robinson and drove two miles when police caught up with the victim's vehicle.

One suspect, armed with a semi-automatic handgun, which police later recovered, yelled and struck Robinson, Giorgio said.

Robinson was taken to East Texas Medical Center with cuts to his head, according to a Sept. 8 Tyler-Courier Times news story.

"There are individuals doing exactly that (carjacking). They deliberately cruise shopping centers looking for people to rob or carjack," Giorgio said.

"Don't take it (safety) for granted just because it is a lighted area," he said. "At night, especially for women, go in groups of at least two."

You should have keys ready and get in your vehicle quickly and immediately lock the doors behind you, Giorgio said.

"Start using good sense," he said.

Common items carjackers and robbers are looking for are: money, jewelry, vehicles and vehicle accessories, such as tires and rims.

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Intramural director urges involvement

Intramural sports will be different this year, Intramural Director Andrea Shelton said. Shelton plans more activities with different categories for more students. The schedule will mean non-traditional students 25 and over won't find themselves playing against the more aggressive 18-20 year old students, she said.

"All you need to sign up and play is your TJC Student ID card," Shelton said.

Golf and Flag Football sign-up for men, women, and co-rec teams ended Monday. Volleyball sign ups in all three categories end Sept. 28 in the HPE Center.

Shelton encourages all kinds of people to come and play. They can try to make up their own team, or they can sign a draft to be placed on a team.

She also wants those who don't want to play to be officials or scorekeepers. They will be paid minimum wage and can be trained at the HPE Center. Games usually run from 4 to 8 p.m. Those who want more information about officiating can talk to Shelton at the HPE Center.

Wright expects Apaches to be big factor in conference title

While taking the advantage of playing at home, the Blinn Buccaneer Football Team beat the Apaches 23-16 Sept. 4 in the season opener.

"We didn't play a game we are capable of playing," Head Football Coach Delton Wright said. "We made errors."

"We have a fine group of men and we are going to improve," he said.

"We came back on Monday and had two excellent practices."

"As far as the rest of the season, we are going to be a big factor to win the conference without a doubt," Wright said.

In their second game, the Apaches lost to Trinity Valley Community College Cardinals, 10-14.

Both teams started slowly. In first quarter, TJC had to punt and Richard Jones ran the ball past the TJC special team for 41 yard Cardinal touchdown.

Receiver Brian Smith's 23-yard gain plus 15-yard penalty against the Cardinals gave TJC a field goal opportunity, but Rob Baldwin's kick was short.

Turnovers followed turnovers in second quarter until TJC intercepted a Cardinal pass. Apache Scott Smith's handoff was dropped and the Cardinals recovered the fumble.

On fourth down Julian Tittle fumbled an Apache punt attempt in his own end zone and TVCC recovered for an easy touchdown. Their extra point gave the Cardinals a 14-0 lead going into second half.

Early in third quarter, TJC collected four consecutive first downs in their best offensive showing of the game. Carlos Gilstrap ran 21-yards for the Apaches' only

touchdown. The extra point was good and the score was 14-7. At third down and eight for the Cardinals, the Apache defensive line sacked the quarterback, forcing TVCC to punt.

TJC went to the ground again and Gilstrap ran around the Cardinals for a 25-yard gain. The Cardinals forced an Apache field goal attempt. The kick made the score 14-10.

The Cardinals controlled the clock in a scoreless fourth quarter.

TJC accumulated 188 yards to the Cardinals 244. Gilstrap led the Apaches rushing with 38 yards followed by Smith with 31 yards.

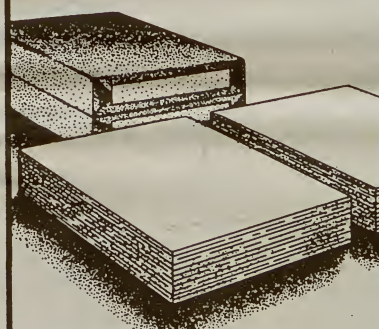
Football Schedule

Sept. 25	Georgia Military	2 p.m.
Oct. 2	*Blinn	2 p.m.
Oct. 16	*at Navarro	3 p.m.
Oct. 23	*Cisco	3 p.m.
Oct. 30	*at Ranger	3 p.m.
Nov. 6	*Trinity Valley	7:30 p.m.
Nov. 13	*at Kilgore	3 p.m.

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